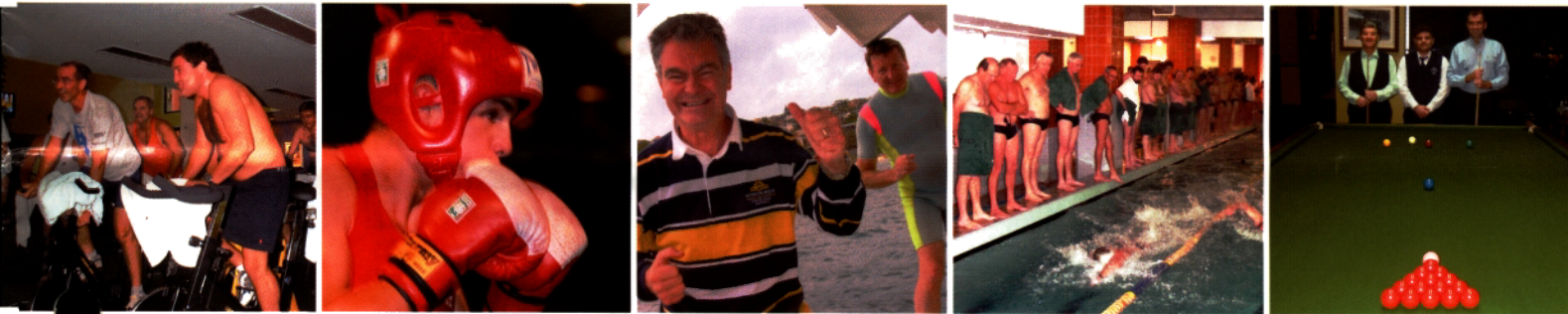




# tattersalls

newsletter **april 2003**



## New Membership Fees 389 reasons

**to finally get your friends into our club**

Members are no doubt aware that both Club management and Committee are keen to keep membership levels strong and give existing members added incentive to propose their friends, colleagues and family for membership of Tatts.

Many members have suggested to Committee that they have found the joining fee a hurdle in getting their mates across the line. The Committee is aware of this conundrum and believes it has found a solution.

Instead of paying a joining fee, new members are instead committed to spend the equivalent of the fee in the bar or brasserie in their first year of membership on a monthly basis. Each month the member's account will be debited with \$100 (\$50 for Under 30 members) if this amount has not already been spent, so he may as well take you, his proposer and seconder, to lunch or dinner!

Add to this the fact that our new Secretary, Mark Bartrop, has offered to improve your

lunch or dinner by putting a bottle of Penfold's Bin 389 on the table for those members who propose three people in the next six months. (He will probably allow some other equivalent drop for those who ask nicely!)

We would also like to remind you that sons of members remain exempt from joining fees of any kind. Mark Bartrop is keen to discuss the exciting benefits are available to those members who wish to celebrate family 21st birthdays at the Club. Call him about this for the full story.

More members mean a more vibrant Club and greater scope for the Committee to provide amenities of an even higher standard.

Please consider this novel fee structure and start contacting potential candidates today. You may well be the main beneficiary!



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# from the chairman

The two most obvious ways members can assist the Club to maintain the level and quality of member services are to introduce suitable candidates for membership – and, for those who are able to do so, to introduce their own organisations to the superb function facilities that we offer the city.

Both of these offer a relatively painless contribution to the Club's bottom line – and a continuing improvement in our performance will enable us to tread a debt-free path towards the much needed renovations and improvements that I write about on a regular basis. Only days before writing this month's message, I watched as hundreds of guests at a third floor function had to queue for an elevator to get to the ground floor. How much more convenient would it be for us to have an elegant extension to our staircase to the ground floor? What is it costing us in lost business that we do not have easy access – or, for that matter, smaller dining and meeting rooms?

Our function terms are amongst the best in the city for facilities which have been described by others as exceptional and unique. While the cost of membership, on the other hand, is presently very attractive given the incentive of crediting the entrance fee against a new member's monthly account in his first year.

As always with Tattersall's Club in recent years, the business model remains the same – maintaining a satisfactory level of membership and subscription income while operating a busy and profitable commercial function business. How much more effective we would be and how much better our member facilities would be, if our membership helped themselves a little more than they do?

After the Annual General Meeting this year, we shall be reconvening the Past and Present Lunch, last held in 2001. This is an opportunity for members, young and old, to join together in a function which has as its theme nothing more than the fraternity of the membership and our Club's long and glorious history as Sydney's leading sportsmen's club. I do hope that many of our Senior Members will be there, along with our splendid brigade of younger members who, as I increasingly observe, are keen to carry on the great traditions and to preserve the special ethos of Tattersall's Club. The 2003 Sportsman of the Year will be named at the lunch as well.

The Annual General Meeting is set down for 12 noon on 28 May 2003 and the Past and Present Lunch will commence at the conclusion of the meeting. And, yes, the lunch will be complementary to all members.

Have you made it along to the Members' Bar for Friday night football? The Super 12 clashes, followed by the rugby league, provide a superb

atmosphere for a thirsty crowd. So if it's atmosphere you are looking for – as well as a knowledgeable and less noisy Friday night throng, Tatts is the place to be! Have a look at the changes to the bar as well, most notably the surprisingly effective addition of the beautiful and until recently, sadly neglected, large old bookcase which was a feature of the Clubroom in the old Club.

Committee meetings at Tattersall's Club are always an occasion for keen and lively debate. Ours is not a Club for shrinking violets, nor for unspoken opinions. I was reminded of that at the March meeting when I raised the idea of making the Club more family-friendly and thus add value to membership of the Club. In doing so, I was not oblivious to the inevitable concern that anything to do with the female sex in Tattersall's Club would be seen as the thin edge of the wedge. On the contrary, I felt that our willingness over the years to extend a welcome to women, so that by now only the Athletic Department is off limits, was evidence of a mens' club still in keeping with the times. I think I am right in recalling that when I first joined the Club, only the then fourth floor dining room and cocktail bar were available to female guests – with the odd exception of special functions in the Clubroom. How far we have come since then!

Anyway, what I had in mind was to trial opening up the Athletic Department on weekends only to members' female partners and children. Members can already invite their male offspring – a privilege I well remember as a young lad with my Dad. But pity the poor member who is Dad to a tribe of females only or, worse, a Dad who has to explain to his daughter why she cannot join Dad and her brother at the best indoor pool in town on a cold and wet winter weekend.

Winter is a time when the Athletic Department is a popular weekend option for members. So it's a good time to consider the issue. The Committee is divided – and properly concerned, as they should be given our reputation and our history, about member reaction. So what do you think? If enough members tell me it's not worth considering, I won't raise it again (for a while anyway). Promise!



**Russell Debney**

*Chairman*



## secretary's report

The first month in the job has been extremely exciting; I would like to thank all the members and staff for their warm welcome and good wishes.

I having interviewed staff in all departments it is fantastic to find such enthusiasm and dedication to Tattersalls. Thanks must also go to Tim Bowring for the smooth handover during the last two weeks of March.

The biggest news is obviously the Black Tie Boxing date being transferred to June 13th, bookings will open from 8.30am on Monday 5th. This has been necessary because most boxers are competing at the Arafura Games being held on the 17th May, 2003, thereby rendering them unavailable for Tattersalls initial date of 16th May.

I would like to take this opportunity to congratulate Lee Farrell on his recent appointment as Conference & Functions Manager. Lee will be taking a leading role conceptual, promotional and operational role in the ongoing success of our food and beverage Department.

Painting work in the public areas is progressing well as is the general upgrade of the Foyer and hanging of prints and paintings in the Bar, Snooker Room and other areas.

At a recent Functions Sub-committee meeting ideas came thick and fast for the coming year, especially plans for the Rugby World Cup and Tattersalls participation, by way of dinners, lunches and as a corporate function centre. These ideas as well as other club events, will be finalised and a list will be published for Members information in the not too distant future.

Tattersalls Club is seen as the premier club in the Sydney CBD, steeped in tradition and having an enviable reputation; it is my intention to carry on and build on all these traditions.

## tattersalls into the year 2003 calendar of events

### may

- 5th Black Tie boxing tickets on sale
- 8th Calcutta snooker event
- 2nd Michael Bevan sports lunch (tickets on sale now)
- 29th Annual General Meeting
- 29th Lunch for Past & Present members

### june

- 13th Black Tie boxing

### tattersall's club

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#### Office Hours

8.30 am - 5 pm | Monday to Friday

#### Brasserie

7 am - 3.30 pm | Monday, Tuesday & Friday

(bar meals available in the evening)

7 am - 9.30 pm | Wednesday & Thursday

#### Bar and Billiard Room

Noon - 9 pm | Monday to Wednesday  
Noon - 10 pm | Thursday and Friday

#### Athletic Department

5.30 am - 9 pm | Monday to Friday  
6 am - 6 pm | Saturday  
Noon - 5 pm | Sunday

## directory of services



## club news

# Black Tie Boxing Now June 13

**Bookings from 8.30am May 5.**

The last Black Tie Boxing night was generally acclaimed as one of the best ever - but then, aren't they all? The night is always quickly booked out and when the tickets are gone, they're gone. Subsequent threats, bribes and blackmail are useless, so get in early and book your tickets at the management office from 8.30am on May 5.



*Chairman's farewell lunch for Tim Bowring*

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## Guest speaker - Michael Bevan

**at a members & guest cricket lunch on May 2nd.**

Great News. We have just secured the services of Michael Bevan to be guest speaker at a members & guest cricket lunch on May 2nd.

The Australian world cricket champion team member will be guest speaker at a club luncheon on Friday May 2nd. All members and their guests are

invited to come along to this exciting function and hear one of cricket's brightest stars tell the inside story of Australia's historic retention of World cricket's greatest trophy.

We anticipate that this will be a very popular event so early bookings at the office are advised.

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## Keith Brodie

**Tattersalls new Committee member**

When we were interviewing new Committee Member Keith Brodie for the Expert-on-Line feature (see back page) it was hard to ignore the fact that as well as the immaculate business suit one would expect of a senior finance executive, he was also wearing hiking boots. "I'm wearing them in for my June trek across the Great Sandy Desert" he explained, a fraction sheepishly. As you will read, our new representative is passionate about many activities!



Join the chairman on the last Thursday of each month following the committee meeting for free drinks in the members bar





*A proud Chairman and family celebrates Michael Debney's admission to the Bar*

## Golf...

At long last the convenors have removed their heads from their derriere's and the next golf game has been organised for the 27th of May at St. Michaels Golf Club at 12.00 noon.

We apologise to the few keen golfers that tried to book for the recently published dates....these had to be cancelled due to lack of interest.

If Tattersall's is to have a Golfing fraternity and play 4 to 6 times a year then we need members to respond to notices and emails.

We are fortunate to have Teamfore Golf at the Club's disposal. This appears to be a very good opportunity for Tatt's golfers and we hope you pick up a form from the club or telephone fellow member Rod Austin for details. (0414426782)

I urge all Tatt's members who are interested in golf to support the brave few who play together on the odd occasion, and if nothing else, make sure we have some numbers, so that Bob Sanders does not successfully defend his championship this year.

# Notice of Meeting

## THE ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING OF TATTERSALLS CLUB

will be held on Thursday 29 May 2003  
12 noon in the level 3 dining room

- Nominations for Office Bearers & Committee Members to be in hand with the Secretary no later than 5pm on Tuesday 6 May 2003
- Written Notices of Motion are to be delivered to the Secretary by 12 Noon Tuesday 6 May 2003

**M B Bartrop**  
SECRETARY  
April 9, 2003

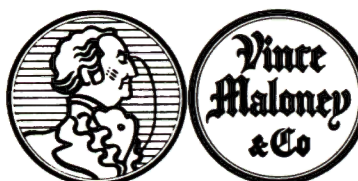
(NB If a Ballot is required only financial members may receive ballot papers)  
The 2003 Past & Present Luncheon will be held at the conclusion of the AGM

## THE BIGGER THEY ARE THE HARDER.....the shirt-size?

This chap had a poet's eye for colour harmony and the neck muscles of an all-in wrestler. He cruised in to V.M. last week, picked out a tasty Paul and Shark pure-cotton shirt in taupe with a beige window-pane and said, "Bet you haven't got my neck-size. Nobody else has."

Michael raised an eyebrow, picked out the shirt in an xxx/18 neck-fitting and said, "What sleeve-length? would you like?" (Actually he finished up shortening the sleeves a little. No trouble; same day).

We seem to have a lot of out-sized customers at V.M. so we widen the size-ranges accordingly. And, of course, there's the in-house wizard who makes minor adjustments at speed.



Vince Maloney On-The-Park  
Next door to Tattersall's ph. 9264 8837

## News from the AD

I am happy to report that member attendance has never been higher. This suggests that the collective health of our member base is improving, and our facility is offering a presentable and appealing service. I can assure you your Athletic Department will only get better.

In recent months we have attempted to subtly alter the nature and culture of the facility. In order to make the facility more appealing to Tattersalls members who may feel a little apprehensive about visiting 'GYMS', we now tend to promote a more aerobic based concept. Our staff goal is to promote exercise protocols to simply improve the general health of our members. This may differ a little from previous exercise philosophies that have been aggressive in nature. We still offer all training and exercise alternatives however attempt to make the facility more appealing for all our members and particularly potential members.

One area I believe we differentiate from other exercise alternative venues, is our club camaraderie. This is extremely

important for the future of our facility and an area that our staff will strongly address. Next time you're in, make a point of introducing yourself to a member you don't know. Or ask a staff member to do the introductions. Who knows where it might lead?

The Athletic Department's popularity in recent weeks has highlighted our limited change room amenities. Consequently we are currently reviewing alternative options. Our staff and massage rooms are an obvious and regrettable option. We will act shortly in an attempt to increase our locker numbers by an extra 30 within the next month.

I would also like to introduce Darren Vartikian as a new member of our staff. Darren brings a wealth of knowledge particularly in the area of strength and conditioning. Darren is extremely approachable in nature and welcomes introductions and any fitness related questions. Welcome Darren!



The swimming gang

## This month:

### 1. NEW SWIM COACH

Hopefully before the month is out, triple Olympian Matt Dunn will be joining out staff. I have known Matt for some time and found him to be one of the more likeable characters you could hope to meet. Spending 8 years at the AIS training every day with Michael Klim and Alexander Popov I reckon he might know something. Matt was the Australian record holder in the 200M until some young punk called Thorpe recently powered home. Welcome Matt!

### 2. GUARANTEED RESULTS PROGRAM

Quite simply, this program is working. Countless members are using this user-friendly program displayed under the clock in the main gym. Please ask staff for clarification on the new program. I know you will enjoy it!

### 3. BACK MAINTENANCE PROGRAM

Given that 80% of people suffer from some back complication in their lives, it makes sense that we address this body site immediately. Yet another wall poster will be presented during the month with a



# sport



On the boat and enjoying themselves

workshop to be advised. Photos and explanations will give you the best chance of prevent or fixing back complications.

#### 4. PROPOSED BIKE TOUR IN CANBERRA

We are coordinating the next Tattersalls Bike Tour. A three-day tour of Canberra will take place in the last week in September. We will be staying at the AIS and using all the facilities. The tour will take us on roughly 110kms each day for Friday, Saturday and Sunday. Yes, Black Tower will be conquered!!

If you have interest in knowing more please chat to myself. I am currently compiling an e-mail group for those interested. It will be a blast!!

## Next month:

- Fitness/ Health Testing and Evaluation
- New Class - Swiss ball classes  
- improving the body's core
- Exercise programs and classes for the elderly
- Guest promotion

As always I openly welcome any feedback. The best way to improve our facility is from member participation and constructive feedback.

Take care and have a healthy month

Brad Pamp - AD Manager



New AD Deputy Head, Scott Le Jeune

## Scott Le Jeune

### appointed Athletic Department 2IC

Members who have known Scott Le Jeune since he joined the Athletic Department eighteen months ago, will be no doubt delighted that he has been named Deputy to Department Head Brad Pamp.

Scott shares Brad's fitness philosophy that sheer grunt isn't the most efficient way to fitness any more. The latest evidence has given the new school of trainers far more scientific methods than the old 'work-out till you drop' method. Brad and Scott teach that diet is now 70% of the fitness equation and exercise 30%.

As Scott says "The key to fitness is to train smarter. Our members are busy people who can't afford to potter around without getting anywhere, so we make sure that their program gets real rewards in the shortest possible time."

Before he joined Tattersall's, Scott spent fifteen years in the NSW Police Service, where he was trained in personal fitness

and finally rose to the rank of Detective Sargent in criminal investigation. During his police career he served in some of the force's toughest squads including the Tactical Response Group. He is a firearms expert and was a specialist in the apprehension of pedaphiles, working on some very high-profile cases.

Scott says that he particularly appreciates the relationships that personal training brings and has made some very good friends with the club's member/clients. "Fitness is a whole of life effort," he says, "my program has to fit in with all the aspects of my clients' lives, so you naturally become quite close."

In the past he has played rugby league, wrestled, boxed and practised jujitsu - obviously the perfect training for his current task of propping the Eastwood Rugby front row.

Months 1 & 2 saw Peter Gibson and Ken Glover successful in the 50 metres point score, with Phil Reichelt and Brendan Maher winning the 100 metre Clock Tower Award for these months.

The Club welcomed a new swimmer Alex, whose surname already makes him unforgettable, namely "Thorpe". Alex has immediately become enthusiastically involved with the Swimming Club and is already attending squad training.

As is usual this time of year, the Swimming Club has been asked to nominate one of our members for Tattersalls Sportsman of the Year and the unanimous decision of your committee was that Simon Storry should be our choice. When Simon's impressive resume is considered, and which culminated in the Rottnest Swim in appalling conditions, and resulted in Simon raising some \$10,000.00 for cancer research, everybody would agree, that he is a very appropriate and impressive nomination. Simon is a complete athlete performing well in a range of competitions.

The year has started off with very encouraging numbers attending on Tuesday and Thursday, with some 30 swimmers on 1 April, 2003. Of the notable performers, we have to make specific mention of "Popov", "Mad Dog" McMahon who, not withstanding losing seconds every week, continues to win.

A number of squad members undertook a clinic conducted by Milt Nelms and Shane Gould, which proved extremely informative. We will watch their progress with interest. John Konrads also kindly took all interested members through a refresher course.

The ocean swimming scene has been quite frantic and apart from Simon's credible Rottnest Swim, he also joined forces with other notable performers, namely, Callum McLeod, Peter Thiel and Shaun Clyne to take out the Watsons Bay to Bondi Relay Swim for the second year in succession. Well done boys, not only are you putting Tattersalls on the map, but you are making our Club unforgettable. Thanks also to

members supporting the competitors, and in particular Bruce Fallshaw for the use of the "GP", the Glover brothers, Cesar Puertolas and John Greaves.

Cesar reports that members John Greaves, Chris Young and John Harvey have been successful in obtaining places in their age groups in recent AUSSI Masters carnivals, including the State Titles. John Harvey (although not in a Tatts Team) came first in the 40-44 yrs 200 metres freestyle, Chris Young has achieved first places in the same age group in backstroke in 50 metres and 100 metres and John Greaves was third in the State Titles in his age group for 50-metres. Congratulations to all and slowly but surely involvement in AUSSI by Tattersalls members is increasing.

Finally, it is with pleasure we welcome back Alex "Popi" Pope on his return from overseas, even though he is "Schmookie" less and the rumour also is that his "little bottle" has run out. You will have to go back to toning the body Popi!

## Results of month 1 (February) swimming were:

### Tattersalls Gift Voucher 50m Award

1. Peter Gibson	33
2. Greg McMahon	31}
Gary Wilson	31}

### Clock Tower 100m Award

1. Phil Reichelt	22
2. Brendan Maher	21}
John McCosker	21}
Peter Thiel	21}
Andrew Torok	21}

### Swimmer of the Month – Month 1 Manchester Unity Award

Committee's choice – Greg McMahon

### Progress Points in the Col Bowes Memorial Trophy

1. Anthony Powter	12
2. Rod Austin	7}
Michael Debney	7}



Shane Gould and Tattersalls Group



David Robinson	7}
Gary Wilson	7}

**Results of month 2 (March)  
swimming were:**

**Tattersalls gift Voucher 50m Award**

1. Ken Glover	39
2. Brendan Maher	30
3. Greg McMahon	29

**YTD End Month 2 – 50m**

1. Greg McMahon	60
2. Peter Gibson	53
3. Gary Wilson	47
4. Andrew Torok	44
5. Ken Glover	42

**Clock Tower 100m Award**

1. Greg McMahon	28
2. Pat Bryant	24
3. Brendan Maher	22

**YTD End Month 2 – 100m**

1. Brendan Maher	43
Greg McMahon	43
3. Phil Reichelt	42
4. Cesar Puertolas	36.5
5. Peter Thiel	36

**Swimmer of the Month – Month 2  
Manchester Unity Award**

Committee's choice – Brendan Maher

**Progress Points in the Col Bowes  
Memorial Trophy**

1. Anthony Powter	17
2. Rod Austin	15
3. Michael Debney	13
4. David Robinson	11}
Gary Wilson	11}

**COMING EVENTS:**

1. Brace Rely – 29 April, 2003
2. Byron Bay Ocean Swim – 4 May, 2003 – contact Shaun Clyne if interested.
3. Maui Channel Swim – August/September, 2003 – those interested contact Mick Gillis or Andrew Torok.

# Snooker Club

Rod Morton beat Anthony Cummings and pocketed \$30,000 (he owned himself) to take out the 2002 Calcutta

Thanks and commiserations to all the other participants. Both Rod and Anthony are long handicappers proving yet again that everyone has a real chance of winning this most prestigious Australian snooker event.

It all starts again on Thursday, May 8th - the Calcutta draw night. Start now talking to your mates to get a syndicate together ready to bid up 8th of May. Further details of this fantastic evening will be advised.

**Other 2002 final results;**

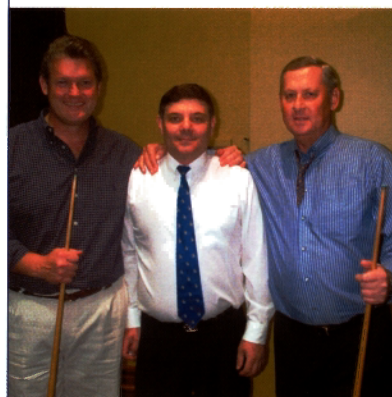
**Handicap Billiards** Eddie Charlton

**Scratch Billiards** Eddie Charlton

**Scratch Snooker** Roger Fairbrother

New members of the snooker fraternity are always warmly welcomed. Ring our professional Joe Minici and arrange to come in to the room for lessons or frames, or both.

**Chalky**



Right to left Winner Rod Morton, Joe Minici (Club Prof) and runner up Anthony Cummings

# travel

## Trout Fishing in Chile

By Andrew Whitten

Snow capped mountain volcanoes, crystal clear green-blue lakes, amazing steak, superb red-wine, Spanish flair with a touch of something different. Sound like you?

It sounded like me too! This is why I travelled to the Lakes District of Southern Chile to try my luck at catching some of the best wild rainbow and brown trout anywhere in the world. My adventure started in the town of Puerto Veras in the 10th region of southern Chile where I hired my guide. The first day consisted of drift fishing down the Rio Petrohue. This picturesque river is home to some of the largest trout and salmon anywhere in the world and a whole day fishing including a buffet lunch with the mandatory bottle of Chilean Vino Rojo I was in heaven!

The next day of my two day fishing adventure presented a chance to experience nature while having the opportunity to fish some of the most untouched trout breeding streams anywhere in the world. The day consisted of fishing a stretch of river on foot, stopping for a bbq steak lunch with another bottle of Chilean red and an action packed day of fishing. I actually lost count of the amount of trout caught....but it was easily over 25 for the day. They ranged in size right up to about 9.5 pounds. The enjoyment of both days was exacerbated by the fact that our party saw no-one, all day, just the guide, myself, my fishing partner and the peaceful wilderness which is a must see for anyone who enjoys the finer things of life.

If you are not into fishing, the Lakes District of Chile/ Argentina is home to a mountain (pardon the pun) of activities including: horse riding, hiking, the lakes crossing (a day trip which involves traversing 5 lakes, 3 national parks



and 2 countries) white water rafting, hunting, bushwalking or just enjoying the amazing food and wine for which Chile is world renowned. As if all that wasn't enough remember both Chile and Argentina have suffered serious devaluations of their currencies, thus, the amazing activities are much more affordable than you think!

I travelled on a one world round world ticket Qantas/American/BA and Lan Chile and took in the US, Mexico, Cuba, South America and Europe. Qantas now flies to Santiago in conjunction with Lan Chile.

Please feel free to view the website of my most gracious English speaking guide Robert Parker at [www.riosaustral.com](http://www.riosaustral.com).

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# Anywhere Travel's

## Anywhere specials

All air fares include approximate taxes:

- ✈ Europe with Qantas/Air France via Hong Kong, Bangkok, Singapore, Jakarta and Paris Business class **from \$5675\***.
- ✈ London with Virgin Atlantic (Seniors Fare) Business class **from \$5450\*** via Kuala Lumpur.
- ✈ Mixed class to Europe with Thai/Lufthansa **from \$7499\***. Business class to Bangkok with Thai, First class onto Europe with Lufthansa.
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- ✈ Fly Drive Tasmania **from \$689** per person. Incl return airfares, 4 nights Flag accommodation, 4 days Hertz car and taxes.

- ✈ Super Star Virgo Fly-Cruise Special **from \$2100** per person based on twin share accommodation inside cabin. Price includes Singapore Airlines flights SYD/SIN/SYD, pre & post cruise accommodation at The York Hotel in Singapore with transfers, 3 nights cruise and all port charges and airport taxes.

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We talk to Keith Brodie

## **New Tattersall's Committee member. News Limited Company Secretary. Thrill seeker**

### **Where were you brought up?**

I was born in Sao Paulo in Brazil. Third generation Brazilian/Scots descent.

Most people of my generation trace themselves back to the British companies that went over there in the early 20th century and the poms who built the railways.

### **Where were you educated?**

At ten I was sent to boarding school in the UK followed by St Andrew's University where I did a law degree; then went down to Edinburgh to join Peat Marwick Mitchell and qualified as a Scottish chartered accountant. I went back to Brazil with Price Waterhouse and first came to Australia for them with my wife Louise in 1978.

### **What Sports have you played?**

At school; rugby, cricket, hockey. I continued to play hockey and squash for a long time in Australia. When the knees started to give way I took up horse riding and motor racing.

I was heavily involved in hockey administration and got the Australian Sports Medal for services for hockey.

### **How did you get into motor racing?**

The fleet manager at News Limited had raced in the first Australian Grand Prix - he was a legend in the classic car field - I bought an MGB and he got me to do a regularity trial and then said "Now you've done that, why don't you come and do the Targa Tasmania?" I've done it seven times now. I had an Austin Healy 3000 and we took that to New Zealand and did their Targa. A sensational time.

I've also got an Elfin Streamliner sports racer and had an horrendous accident in one of the Targas. A crash like that is a reality check. The co-driver was driving and as we soared through the trees and over the fence, the last words I heard from her before we landed were "Oh..."(followed by a serious expletive).

### **And what did you say?**

Nothing. I couldn't talk, not with four broken ribs and a smashed lung, but I thought the same expression.

Currently I'm racing a Bowin Formula Ford single seater in the NSW State

Championships. My favourite track is Philip Island. Those fast sweeping corners are sensational.

### **What is it like working at NewsCorp?**

It's a very satisfying place to work - it's run by one of the great entrepreneurs of the world, his energy and his way of doing things filters right the way down. There are no organisation charts and procedure manuals, everything's done on a very informal basis. We have just one basic rule: don't make the same mistake twice.

### **You are also a director of some high profile sporting clubs?**

In rugby league I'm on the boards of the Brisbane Broncos, the Melbourne Storm and the North Queensland Cowboys.

In rugby union, I'm especially proud to have been asked to join the board of the ACT Brumbies

### **Are you happy about your decision to become an Australian citizen?**

I became an Australian citizen one nanosecond after I was allowed to. I wouldn't live anywhere else. I never even want to go abroad for holidays.

This country has so much to offer - last year I went on a muster in The Kimberley and got to fish up at Cape York, in June I'm going on a walk across the Great Sandy Desert on a camel trek - about 300 kilometres. You have to push the comfort zone out a bit.

### **Who has been the greatest influence in your life?**

Probably, my Australian wife. I got married before I was qualified and if I hadn't been married, I probably wouldn't have got qualified - Louise hauled me across the line. Also my prep school headmaster who taught me some manners.

### **How do you use the Club?**

I use the gym regularly and through that I've met a lot of people. I'm also a cyclist so I went on the Tatt's Tour to Adelaide.

I've always believed that if you're a member of a club it doesn't hurt to put something back into it - and then move on and let new blood take over.

